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SUBJECT: BENJAMIN MAYNIGO AND GERARD JUMAT

REFS: A. MANILA 17474, B. STATE 277219

1. INFORMATION RECEIVED BY DEPARTMENT DECEMBER 1 INDICATES THAT SITUATION OF MAYNIGO AND JUMAT FAMILIES MAY BE PUBLICIZED IMMINENTLY BY ASSOCIATED PRESS AS A RESULT OF EFFORTS BY PSINAKIS AND OTHERS TO SEEK CONGRESSIONAL SUPPORT FOR THE CASE. UNLESS AMBASSADOR UNDERHILL PERCEIVES OVERRIDING OBJECTION, AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN IS AUTHORIZED CONFIRM TO APPROPRIATE GOP OFFICIALS THAT MAYNIGO AND JUMAT HAVE APPROACHED U.S. OFFICIALS IN A NEIGHBORING COUNTRY CONCERNING POSSIBLE ADMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES AS REFUGEES AND THAT THEIR APPLICATIONS ARE UNDER EXAMINATION AND THAT NO DECISION HAS YET BEEN TAKEN.

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2. AMBASSADOR SULLIVAN MAY ADD THAT IT IS NOT U.S. POLICY NORMALLY, IN SUCH CASES, TO INFORM INDIVIDUAL'S COUNTRY OF NATIONALITY OF SUCH REQUESTS BUT THAT WE ARE DOING SO IN THIS INSTANCE BECAUSE OF LIKELIHOOD IMMINENT PUBLICITY AND LONGSTANDING CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN U.S. AND PHILIPPINES.

3. GUIDANCE ON MAYNIGO AND JUMAT APPLICATIONS FOLLOWS SEPTTEL.

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